

In the Specification

At page 1, line 2 of the specification, please insert the following paragraph:

Cross-Reference to Related Applications

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This application is a ^{-- continuation --} ~~national stage filing~~ of PCT/US99/28033, filed November 24, 1999, which claims the benefit of the filing date of U.S. application Serial No. 60/109,687, filed November 24, 1998.

Please amend the paragraph at page 5, line 7 of the specification as follows:

Figure 5A shows the results of G418 selection (~~shaded area~~) of outgrowth endothelial cells stably transfected with a vector encoding eGFP.

Figure 5B shows the morphology (left) and fluorescence (right) of PLE9 transduced cells at day 53.